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The MSSU Bookstore in Billingsly Student Center will be open from 9 A.M. - 1 P.M. for your convenience and a Spirit Store is available near the main entrance of Leggett & Platt Athletic Center.

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KGCS and the student broadcast group, the National Broadcasting Society,  
will produce DVD copies of today's ceremony. Order forms are available  
on the program tables located at the entrances.

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While every effort is made to ensure accuracy in this program, graduation filing deadlines, printing deadlines and degree audit adjustments can prevent inclusion of graduates' names or may result in publishing names of individuals not completing degree requirements. This program, therefore, should not be used to determine a student's official academic or degree status.

**9:30 A.M.****School of Arts & Sciences • School of Health Sciences**

Processional: "Pomp and Circumstance" .....	Elgar
	Missouri Southern Commencement Ensemble
National Anthem .....	Presentation of Colors
	ShowMe GOLD Color Guard
Welcome and Introductions .....	Dr. Alan Marble
	President, Missouri Southern State University
Commencement Speaker .....	David Haffner
	Former CEO, Leggett & Platt, Inc.
Presentation of Class .....	Dr. Paula Carson
	Provost/Vice President for Academic Affairs, Missouri Southern State University

**Presentation of Baccalaureate and Associate Degrees**

Conferring of Bachelor and Associate Degrees .....	Dr. Alan Marble
Presentation of Diplomas .....	Platform Party
Introduction of Degree Candidates .....	Mr. Stephen E. Smith
	University Relations and Marketing, Missouri Southern State University
Announcement of Academic Honors .....	Dr. Paula Carson
MSSU Alma Mater (See page 24) .....	Brooke Gariss K-12 Vocal Music, Neosho
Recessional "Alleluia! Laudamus Te" .....	Alfred Reed Missouri Southern Wind Ensemble
Sign Language Interpreter .....	Mary Zustiak

Please remain standing until recessional is completed. Please turn off all cell phones.

**1:00 P.M.**

**Robert W. Plaster School of Business  
School of Education • Bachelor of General Studies**

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Conferring of Graduate Degrees . . . . .	Dr. Alan Marble
Master's Hooding . . . . .	Dr. John Groesbeck
	Dean, Robert W. Plaster School of Business, Missouri Southern State University
	Dr. Deborah Brown
	Interim Dean, School of Education, Missouri Southern State University

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Recessional "Alleluia! Laudamus Te" . . . . .	Alfred Reed Missouri Southern Wind Ensemble
Sign Language Interpreter . . . . .	Bethany Leinbaugh

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## KEYNOTE SPEAKER

**D**avid Haffner is the former Chief Executive Officer and Board Chair for Leggett & Platt Inc.

A native of Carthage, Mo., Haffner attended Missouri Southern from 1970-72 as a pre-engineering student with an emphasis in mathematics and physics. While at Southern he was also a member of the varsity football team.

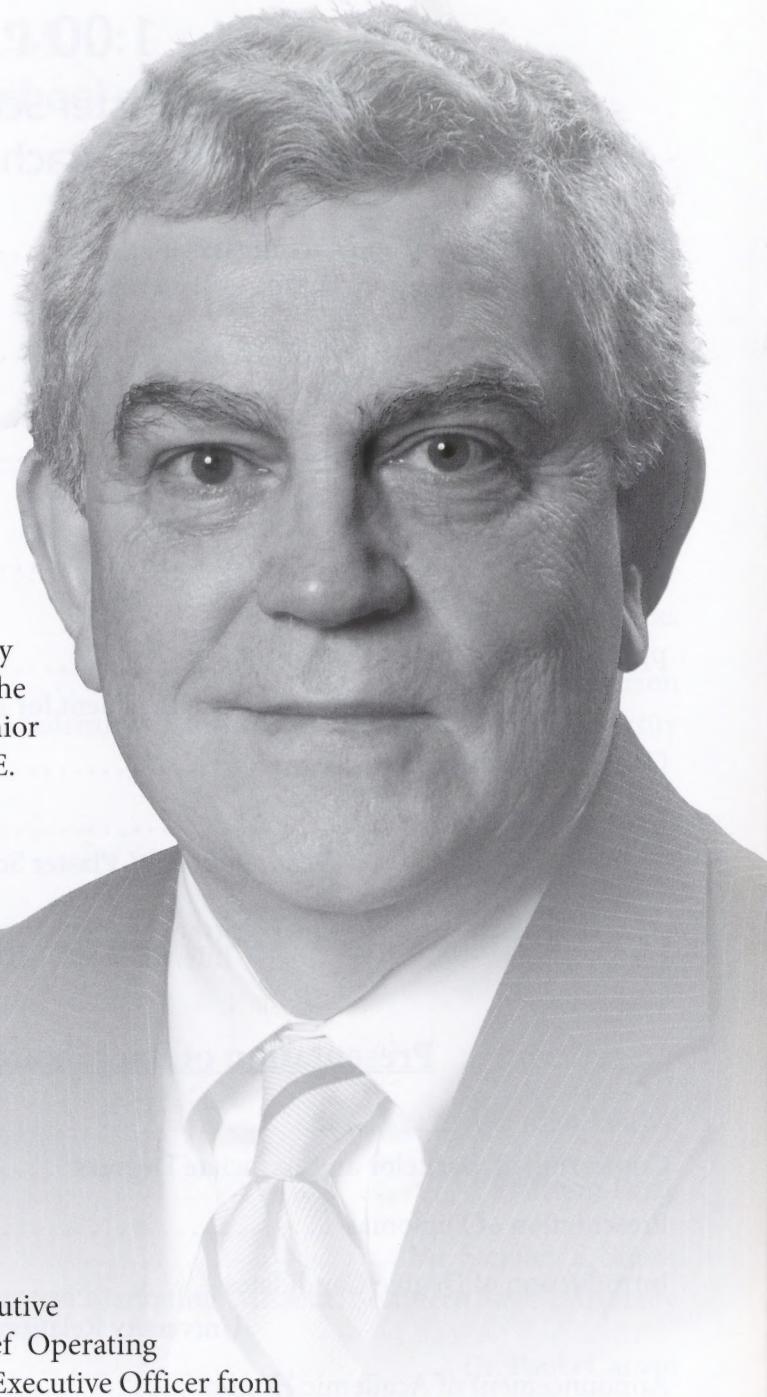
He earned his engineering degree from the University of Missouri-Columbia in 1974, graduating near the top of his class and selected as the Outstanding Senior Engineering Student by the St Louis chapter of AIIE.

Upon receiving his undergraduate degree, he married his high school sweetheart, Connie, and joined Schreiber Foods Inc., a large privately held firm located in Green Bay, Wisconsin. While working for Schreiber, he earned his MBA with honors from the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh, concentrating on operations management.

Haffner joined Leggett & Platt in 1983 as staff vice president of operations. He was named Executive Vice President in 1995, and President and Chief Operating Officer in 2002. He served as Chairman and Chief Executive Officer from 2013 until his retirement in 2015.

When he joined Leggett & Platt, the company had reported sales of approximately \$275 million for the prior year. Today, annual sales exceed \$4 billion and L&P is a leading manufacturer of engineered products serving several major markets worldwide. With more than 20,000 employees and more than 200 facilities, it is recognized as a leader in the research, development and manufacturing of a wide range of products.

Haffner and his wife have three children. Their son is a graduate of the medical school at the University of Missouri-Columbia, while their identical twin daughters are both graduates of Missouri Southern.



# EMERITUS FACULTY

**1973 – 1974**

**Harry Gockel\***  
History & Geography

**Martha Ann McCormick\***  
Mathematics

**1976 – 1977**

**Dorothy Stone\***  
Business Administration

**1978 – 1980**

**Lloyd Dryer\***  
Psychology

**Cleetus Headlee\***  
English & Philosophy

**1980 – 1981**

**Fred Cinotto\***  
Administrative Assistant

**1983 – 1985**

**Julie Hughes\***  
Social Sciences (History)

**Grace C. Mitchell\***  
English & Philosophy

**1985 – 1987**

**Enid Blevins**  
English & Philosophy

**1995 – 1996**

**Loretta Frazier\***  
Head Librarian

**1999 – 2001**

**J. Merrell Junkins**  
Psychology

**Gail Renner\***

Social Sciences (History)

**2002 – 2004**

**Duane L. Hunt**  
Theater

**Richard Massa**  
Communication

**2008 – 2010**

**Julio S. Leon**  
Business

**2010 – 2012**

**Betsy Griffin**  
Psychology

**Virginia Laas**  
Social Sciences (History)

**William Livingston**  
Mathematics

**Melvyn Mosher\***  
Chemical & Physical Sciences

**2011 – 2012**

**Jim Jackson**  
Biology & Environmental Health

**John Messick**  
Biology & Environmental Health

**2013 – 2014**

**Sam Claussen**  
Theater

**Art Saltzman\***  
English & Philosophy

**2015 – 2016**

**Al Cade\***  
Teacher Education

**Patsy Lipira**  
Kinesiology

\*Deceased

## GRADUATE PROGRAMS

### MASTER OF ACCOUNTANCY

**Fleming, Brian L. \***

Accounting  
Nevada

**Forest, Leslie L.**

Accounting  
Joplin

**Gilbert, Tiffani Leann**

Accounting  
Joplin

**Walker, Dillon Merrell**

Accounting  
Webb City

**Zhang, PengXiang**

Accounting  
China

### MASTER OF SCIENCE IN EDUCATION

**Cox, Brittany Lorene \***

Curriculum and Instruction  
Webb City

**Etter, Loura Kaye \***

Curriculum and Instruction  
Monett

**Harper, Christina Lynn \***

Curriculum and Instruction  
Oologah, OK

**Toomoth, Leandra Hope**

Curriculum and Instruction  
Neosho

**Dunn, Sarah Leona \***

Curriculum and Instruction  
Joplin

**Gray, Jennifer J. \***

Curriculum and Instruction  
Webb City

**Schultz, Gina L. \***

Curriculum and Instruction  
Webb City

## COOPERATIVE GRADUATE PROGRAMS

Missouri Southern State University/Southeast Missouri State University

### MASTER OF SCIENCE IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE

**Thomas, Samantha Jane**

Criminal Justice  
Mulkeytown, IL

# CANDIDATES FOR HONORS AND DEGREES

## BACCALAUREATE DEGREES

### SUMMA CUM LAUDE

Grade point average 3.90 or above

Bandy, Melina  
 Bang, Neha †  
 Barr, Anna ‡  
 Beerbower, Joshua †  
 Brewster, Katelyn  
 Conner, Lindsey †  
 Crawford, Jeffrey  
 Dukov, Volodymyr ‡

Eck, Olivia  
 Feezell, Cinnamon \*  
 Fox, Natalie  
 Glowacki, JeSarah  
 Hale, Mackenzie  
 Harp, Jacob † \*  
 Heston, Jessica  
 Hill, Kristina \*

Jensen, Avery  
 Loncarich, Holly †  
 Martin, Gabrielle †  
 McGuire, Nathan  
 Messer, Jacob †  
 Roberts, Blake  
 Roberts, Shelby  
 See, Nathan ‡

Shackelford, Merry ‡  
 Starkey, Benjamin  
 Stokes, Andrew †  
 Strella, Bayley  
 Wosoba, Courtney

### MAGNA CUM LAUDE

Grade point average 3.80 - 3.89

Altvater, Michaela †  
 Busby, Tyler  
 Campbell, Adelie  
 Cantwell, Casey  
 Evenson, Cali

Gagnon, Leah \*  
 Gonzalez, Rachel  
 Hester, Alana  
 Ingham, David  
 Li, Renzhu

Matlock, Shannon  
 Robbins, Alissa  
 Roy, Matthew  
 Samuel, Jodi  
 Smith, Isaac

VanHoose, Bruce  
 Wheeler, Casee  
 Whetstone, Callie \*  
 White, Leanne  
 Yang, Kia

### CUM LAUDE

Grade point average 3.70 - 3.79

Dodson, Kimberly  
 Farney, Alyssa † \*  
 Harp, Tamara  
 Harris, Emily  
 Hook, Jerri  
 Howard, Amie  
 Huckaby, Haley

Hulse, Kacie  
 Hunt, Kelci  
 Hurt, Destin  
 Hylton, Jayce †  
 Ishmael, Hannah  
 McGatha, Derrick  
 Migliori, Heidi

Randol, Danae  
 Rejcek, Zicen  
 Schatzer, Kaylin  
 Sly, Hailey  
 Spell, Brianne  
 Tanner, Diana  
 Tomlinson, Justin †

Wages, Zack  
 Williams, Taylor  
 Wilson, Mark

## ASSOCIATE DEGREES

### FIRST HONORS

Grade point average 3.90 or above

Beerbower, Joshua †  
 Feezell, Cinnamon \*  
 Heston, Jessica  
 McGuire, Nathan

### SECOND HONORS

Grade point average 3.80 - 3.89

Hester, Alana

### THIRD HONORS

Grade point average 3.70 - 3.79

Hunt, Kelci  
 Hurt, Destin  
 Martinez, Veronica

Stephens, Sylvia  
 Tanner, Diana

Latin honors as published in the program are calculated through the last graded semester and are therefore not official. Once grades and degrees have posted for the final semester, the official standing will be noted on the student's transcript and diploma.

**SCHOOL OF ARTS & SCIENCES****BACHELOR OF ARTS**

<b>Aguinaga, Janet G.</b> *	
Political Science	
Carthage	
<b>Allen, Sabrina M.</b>	
English-Prof Tech Writing	
Joplin	
<b>Barclay, Kendall Janea</b>	
History	
Nixa	
<b>Beerbower, Joshua Tyler</b> †	
Spanish	
Redfield, KS	
<b>Brinks, Gerritt Anthony</b>	
History	
Joplin	
<b>Conness, Zachary Colten</b> *	
History	
Carthage	
<b>Corum, Rebecca Lillian</b>	
English-Literary Studies	
Greenwood	
<b>Diaz, Guillermo</b> *	
Spanish	
Belton	
<b>Eden, Alex S.</b>	
Communication-Mass	
Joplin	
<b>Eldred, Bennet Caleb</b> *	
International Studies	
Joplin	
<b>Farthing, Andrew Thomas</b>	
Communication-Mass	
San Diego, CA	

<b>Hale, Kelsey Elizabeth</b>	
Theatre	
Joplin	
<b>Harp, Jacob Hawkins</b> † *	
Communication-Mass,	
Communication-Speech	
Joplin	
<b>Hernandez, Christy Ann</b>	
Theatre	
Joplin	
<b>Herron, Eli Brock</b>	
Music Industry	
Carthage	
<b>Humphreys, Sara Jayne</b> *	
Art-Graphic	
Joplin	
<b>Hylton, Jayce Jordan</b> †	
History	
Carl Junction	
<b>Ishmael, Hannah Michelle</b>	
Communication-Public Relations	
Sand Springs, OK	
<b>Jackson, Ryan Matthew</b>	
Communication-Public Relations	
Herculaneum	
<b>Jacobs, Kyle Wayne</b>	
Theatre	
Houston	
<b>Jones, Kaylan Michel</b>	
Art-Visual	
Oronogo	

<b>Lemmons Monteleone, Kayla Dawn</b>	
Art-Graphic	
Joplin	
<b>Lopez De Estrada, Roselina</b>	
Spanish	
Guatemala	
<b>Luper, Shane Mitchell</b>	
Spanish	
Nixa	
<b>Lyon, Tanya Lynn</b>	
Communication-Mass	
Pea Ridge, AR	
<b>Martin, Cody Wayne</b>	
Political Science	
Neosho	
<b>Mauser, Alexander Clinton</b>	
Music	
Independence	
<b>Miles, Karissa G.</b>	
English-Literary Studies	
Washington	
<b>Pirtle, Blakely Wade</b>	
Communication-Public Relations	
Carl Junction	
<b>Quattlebaum, Lindsey Elyse</b> †	
English-Prof Tech Writing	
Bella Vista, AR	
<b>Riffle, Jessica Lynn</b>	
International Studies	
Joplin	
<b>Roy, Matthew James</b>	
International Studies	
Carthage	

**BACHELOR OF FINE ARTS**

**Easterly, Stephanie Michelle**  
Fine Arts-Graphic Design  
Joplin

**Humphreys, Sara Jayne** \*  
Fine Arts-Studio  
Joplin

**Journeycake, Jennifer LuAnn**  
Fine Arts-Studio  
Joplin

**Kubicek, Taylor Jay**  
Fine Arts-Studio  
Joplin

**Smith, Britta Grace**  
Fine Arts-Graphic Design  
Richmond

**Smith, Shane Alan**  
Fine Arts-Graphic Design  
Joplin

**Walker, Brittani Sha**  
Fine Arts-Graphic Design  
DeSoto

**West, Anthony James**  
Fine Arts-Studio  
Carthage

**Whitehead, Rachel Kristin**  
Fine Arts-Studio  
Seneca

**BACHELOR OF SCIENCE**

<b>Albright, Matthew Ty</b> Communication-Mass Galena, KS	<b>Calzada, Leslie</b> Criminal Justice Administration Webb City	<b>Etcheson, Joshua Kraig</b> Biochemistry, Biology Jasper	<b>Gregory-Sweet, Taylor</b> <b>Andrew *</b> Chemistry Webb City
<b>Alexander, Andrea Michelle *</b> Criminal Justice Administration Nevada	<b>Campbell, Adelie Jo</b> Communication-Public Relations Mt Vernon	<b>Evenson, Cali Riane</b> Biology Joplin	<b>Hale, Mackenzie Carol</b> Biochemistry Hume
<b>Altvater, Michaela Brooke †</b> Biology Kearney	<b>Carroll, Charles Francis IV</b> Communication-Mass Lee's Summit	<b>Farag, Saif-eldin Samir</b> Biology Webb City	<b>Harris, Emily Kay</b> Communication-Public Relations Farmington
<b>Angel, Ashley Cheray</b> Biology Grove, OK	<b>Casady, Wesley Harlan</b> Criminal Justice Administration/ CIS-Computer Forensics Neosho	<b>Feezell, Cinnamon Dawn *</b> Criminal Justice Administration Golden City	<b>Hass, Philip J.</b> Criminal Justice Administration/ CIS-Computer Forensics Joplin
<b>Balmer, Timothy Craig</b> Criminal Justice Administration Olathe, KS	<b>Clarkson Thomlinson, AshLeigh Hope</b> Biochemistry, Biology LaRussell	<b>Fitzpatrick, Alexis Nicole</b> Criminal Justice Administration Cincinnati, OH	<b>Hayes, Ty' Quan Demonte</b> Criminal Justice Administration Dillon, SC
<b>Bang, Neha †</b> Biology Joplin	<b>Clouse, Marcus T.</b> Mathematics Neosho	<b>Fleming, Christopher Alan *</b> Criminal Justice Administration Miami, OK	<b>Hester, Alana Dayle</b> Criminal Justice Administration Wildwood
<b>Barnes, Alexander G.</b> Biology Neosho	<b>Comer, Jordan Elizabeth</b> Communication-Public Relations Diamond	<b>Fountain, Lisa Marie *</b> Criminal Justice Administration Oronogo	<b>Hester, Brian Joseph</b> Environmental Health and Safety Blue Springs
<b>Barnes, Shanika Nicole *</b> Criminal Justice Administration Chicago, IL	<b>Copple, Lauren Ann *</b> Biology Joplin	<b>Fraley, Jeffrey Raymond</b> Biology St Robert	<b>Higginbotham, Jayme Lee</b> Biology Mt Vernon
<b>Barnes, Valencia M.</b> Criminal Justice Administration Chicago, IL	<b>Courtney, Bethany Ann</b> Communication-Public Relations Joplin	<b>Frasher, Terri-Lynn Diane *</b> Communication-Mass Springfield	<b>Holz, William Brent</b> Political Science Joplin
<b>Beal, Angela Lee</b> Environmental Health and Safety Granby	<b>Dancy, Dajuan Demond</b> Communication-Speech St. Louis	<b>Gardella, Vincent James *</b> Criminal Justice Administration Pomona, CA	<b>Houtchens, Leah Renee</b> Criminal Justice Administration Bentonville, AR
<b>Beerbower, Joshua Tyler †</b> Criminal Justice Administration Redfield, KS	<b>DeGuise, Amber Nichole</b> Sociology Huntington Beach, CA	<b>Garrett, Jeremy Jordan</b> Criminal Justice Administration Walker	<b>Hovey, Tyler Joseph</b> Criminal Justice Administration Joplin
<b>Botzow, Theresa D.</b> Physics Monett	<b>Doodnauth, Sharon Katherine*</b> Criminal Justice Administration Pittsburg, KS	<b>Gentry, Angela K.</b> Sociology Joplin	<b>Huggins, Austin Garrett</b> Criminal Justice Administration Nevada
<b>Bowman, Rachel Lynne</b> Political Science Lebanon	<b>Dunker, Bradon John *</b> Criminal Justice Administration, Juvenile Justice Joplin	<b>Gilmore, Robert Blake Jr.</b> Environmental Health and Safety Carl Junction	<b>Hunnell, Angela Dawn</b> Criminal Justice Administration Carl Junction
<b>Bramer, Amelia Rose</b> Biology Ash Grove	<b>Elder, Tracey Ann</b> Biology Joplin	<b>Granados, Nallely</b> Criminal Justice Administration Neosho	<b>Ingham, David J.</b> Biology Miami, OK
<b>Brown, Jason Demetrius *</b> Criminal Justice Administration Lithonia, GA	<b>Ervin, Nathan Bryce</b> Political Science Webb City	<b>Grant, Benjamin Mitchell</b> Biology Tahlequah, OK	<b>Ivie, Katherine Amelia</b> Criminal Justice Administration Bella Vista, AR
<b>Buckley, Martice Shaquille *</b> Criminal Justice Administration Charleston, MS		<b>Gray, Lindsey Faith</b> Communication-Mass Joplin	* July or December Graduate

<b>Jamett, Joshua Jack</b> Biology Joplin	<b>Migliara, Miles J.</b> Communication-Public Relations Joplin	<b>Roach, Mackenzie Scott</b> Criminal Justice Administration Mount Vernon	<b>Spurrier, Michael Kristopher</b> Biology Joplin
<b>Jennings, Justin Darrell</b> Criminal Justice Administration Stoutland	<b>Moore, Ty Michael</b> Biology Jay, OK	<b>Roberts, Blake Christopher</b> Biology Joplin	<b>Starkey, Benjamin Taylor</b> Physics Webb City
<b>Jimenez, Thalia Gomez</b> Criminal Justice Administration, Juvenile Justice Springdale, AR	<b>Moran, Lucas Eli</b> Biology Joplin	<b>Roberts, Geneva Marie</b> Biology Cassville	<b>Stephenson, Katie Lucille</b> Biology Joplin
<b>Jobe, Jeffrey Shannon *</b> Criminal Justice Administration Nevada	<b>Morin, Michelle S.</b> Criminal Justice Administration Baxter Springs, KS	<b>Rogers, Jonathan Jerrell</b> Biology Fort Worth, TX	<b>Stokes, Andrew Cole †</b> Mathematics Carl Junction
<b>Kesler, Molly Peyton</b> Criminal Justice Administration Duenweg	<b>Murphy, Maxwell Donald</b> Chemistry, Physics Joplin	<b>Rose, Jerry Dale</b> Criminal Justice Administration Riverton, KS	<b>Stout, Bradley W.</b> Communication-Mass Neosho
<b>Khopang, Jesse Yashien</b> Chemistry Thailand	<b>Nesbitt, Brett Aaron</b> Political Science Chanute, KS	<b>Roy, Michael Edward</b> Biology Joplin	<b>Strait, Megan Marie</b> Criminal Justice Administration Carthage
<b>Knewtson, Abby Mariah</b> <b>Rebecca</b> Criminal Justice Administration Joplin	<b>O'Donnell, Jay Patrick</b> Political Science Joplin	<b>Ruiz Maldonado, Liliana</b> Criminal Justice Administration Bentonville, AR	<b>Tanner, Diana Dee</b> Criminal Justice Administration Granby
<b>Kovach, Philip Christopher *</b> Chemistry Joplin	<b>Olson, Brenton L.</b> Biology Diamond	<b>Rundle, Audry Jo</b> Criminal Justice Administration, Juvenile Justice Carterville	<b>Tate, KyJuan Marquise *</b> Criminal Justice Administration Chicago, IL
<b>Lacey, Ryan Thomas *</b> Criminal Justice Administration Mt Vernon	<b>Pritchard, Kristina Renee</b> Physics Joplin	<b>Samuel, Jodi Megan Mari</b> Medical Technology British Virgin Islands	<b>Taylor, Ian Scott</b> Communication-Mass Lee's Summit
<b>Latham, Lindsey Alexander</b> Criminal Justice Administration Kansas City	<b>Pruitt, Tanner Cartwright</b> Criminal Justice Administration Republic	<b>Scheffler, Heidi Jo</b> Environmental Health and Safety Joplin	<b>Tebbets, Eve N.</b> Biochemistry Webb City
<b>Lawrence, Harel Ray</b> Juvenile Justice Lamar	<b>Putnam, Blake Austin</b> Communications-Mass Joplin	<b>Shearman, Stephanie Lynn</b> Biochemistry Webb City	<b>Thomas, Jayce Alexander</b> Criminal Justice Administration Blue Springs
<b>Luarca, Guillermo Alexander</b> Political Science Joplin	<b>Randall, Bianca Estes *</b> Biology Joplin	<b>Sheward, Jeremiah John</b> Criminal Justice Administration Carl Junction	<b>Toliver, Rolandeis Fitzgerald *</b> Communication-Public Relations Horn Lake, MS
<b>Luper, Shane Mitchell</b> Criminal Justice Administration Nixa	<b>Redmond, Breanon</b> Criminal Justice Administration Joplin	<b>Short, Elijah H.</b> Criminal Justice Administration/ CIS-Computer Forensics Liberal	<b>Tomlinson, Justin Tyler †</b> Biology Broken Arrow, OK
<b>Lupo, Jared Wade</b> Biology Shreveport, LA	<b>Reed, Morgan LaDawn</b> Communication-Public Relations Ash Grove	<b>Shriver, Connor Suzanne</b> Criminal Justice Administration, Juvenile Justice Kansas City, KS	<b>Toone, Kayden Elizabeth</b> Biology Raymore
<b>McGinnis, Cody Matthew</b> Physics Joplin	<b>Richardson, Jessika D.</b> Criminal Justice Administration Webb City	<b>Slocum, Danielle Nichole *</b> Criminal Justice Administration Otterville	<b>Tuggle, Tiffany Dawn</b> Criminal Justice Administration Carl Junction
<b>Meyer, Stephanie Lynn</b> Biochemistry Carthage	<b>Richardson, Lacindra Jo</b> Criminal Justice Administration Joplin	<b>Snyder, Tyler Jamus</b> Criminal Justice Administration Neosho	<b>Varner, Justin Trent</b> Criminal Justice Administration Nevada

**Vo, Nga T.**  
Biology  
Vietnam

**Wages, Zackary Tyler**  
Biology  
Joplin

**Weatherford, Aaron Wayne**  
Communication-Public Relations  
Cassville

**Whetstone, Callie Frances \***  
Biology  
Springfield, IL

**Williams, Aisha Marie**  
Criminal Justice Administration  
St. Louis

**Williams, Donnell Martinez**  
Criminal Justice Administration  
St. Louis

**Wilson, Mark Alexander**  
Biology  
Adrian

**Wilson-Brown, Kenya Ahnique**  
Biology  
Arlington, TX

**Wood, Michala Ann**  
Biology  
Blue Springs

**Wosoba, Courtney Rae**  
Mathematics  
El Dorado Springs

**Wright, Kelly Anne**  
Sociology  
Pierce City

**Yargee, Jazmin Shyanne**  
Criminal Justice Administration  
Anderson

**Young, Julian T.**  
Juvenile Justice  
Raytown

## ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE

**Alexander, Andrea Michelle \***  
Law Enforcement  
Nevada

**Balmer, Timothy Craig**  
Law Enforcement  
Olathe, KS

**Barnes, Shanika Nicole \***  
Law Enforcement  
Chicago, IL

**Barnes, Valencia M.**  
Law Enforcement  
Chicago, IL

**Beerbower, Joshua Tyler †**  
Law Enforcement  
Redfield, KS

**Brown, Jason Demetrius \***  
Law Enforcement  
Lithonia , GA

**Buckley, Martice Shaquille \***  
Law Enforcement  
Charleston, MS

**Calzada, Leslie**  
Law Enforcement  
Webb City

**Casady, Wesley Harlan**  
Law Enforcement  
Neosho

**Doodnauth, Sharon Katherine\***  
Law Enforcement  
Pittsburg, KS

**Dunker, Bradon John \***  
Law Enforcement  
Joplin

**Feezell, Cinnamon Dawn \***  
Law Enforcement  
Golden City

**Fitzpatrick, Alexis Nicole**  
Law Enforcement  
Cincinnati, OH

**Fleming, Christopher Alan \***  
Law Enforcement  
Miami

**Fountain, Lisa Marie \***  
Law Enforcement  
Oronogo

**Gardella, Vincent James \***  
Law Enforcement  
Pomona, CA

**Garrett, Jeremy Jordan**  
Law Enforcement  
Walker

**Granados, Nallely**  
Law Enforcement  
Neosho

**Hass, Philip J.**  
Law Enforcement  
Joplin

**Hayes, Ty' Quan Demonte**  
Law Enforcement  
Dillon, SC

**Hester, Alana Dayle**  
Law Enforcement  
Wildwood

**Houtchens, Leah Renee**  
Law Enforcement  
Bentonville, AR

**Hovey, Tyler Joseph**  
Law Enforcement  
Joplin

**Huggins, Austin Garrett**  
Law Enforcement  
Nevada

**Hunnell, Angela Dawn**  
Law Enforcement  
Carl Junction

**James, Klayton David**  
Law Enforcement  
Webb City

**Jennings, Justin Darrell**  
Law Enforcement  
Stoutland

**Jimenez, Thalia Gomez**  
Law Enforcement  
Springdale, AR

**Jobe, Jeffrey Shannon \***  
Law Enforcement  
Nevada

**Kesler, Molly Peyton**  
Law Enforcement  
Duenweg

**Knewstton, Abby Mariah Rebecca**  
Law Enforcement  
Joplin

**Lacey, Ryan Thomas \***  
Law Enforcement  
Mt Vernon

**Latham, Lindsey Alexander**  
Law Enforcement  
Kansas City

**Luper, Shane Mitchell**  
Law Enforcement  
Nixa

**Mettlach, Taylor Leigh-Anne**  
Law Enforcement  
Pierce City

**Morin, Michelle S.**  
Law Enforcement  
Baxter Springs, KS

**Pruitt, Tanner Cartwright**  
Law Enforcement  
Republic

**Redmond, Breeon**  
Law Enforcement  
Joplin

**Richardson, Jessika D.**  
Law Enforcement  
Webb City

**Richardson, Lacindra Jo**  
Law Enforcement  
Joplin

**Roach, Mackenzie Scott**  
Law Enforcement  
Mount Vernon

**Ruiz Maldonado, Liliana**  
Law Enforcement  
Bentonville, AR

**Rundle, Audry Jo**  
Law Enforcement  
Carterville

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<b>Barr, Anna Marie†</b> Secondary Education-English Hartville	<b>Glowacki, JeSarah Marie</b> K-12 Education-Art Joplin	<b>Robbins, Alissa Sue</b> Elementary Education-Social Studies Anderson	<b>Wheeler, Casee Lin</b> Elementary Education-Early Childhood Joplin
<b>Baughman, Zachary Austin</b> K-12 Education-Spanish Carl Junction	<b>Gonzalez, Rachel Christina</b> K-12 Education-Spanish San Diego, CA	<b>Roberson, Katelyn Caroline</b> K-12 Education-Physical Education Lee's Summit	<b>Williams, Taylor Jo Alumbaugh</b> K-12 Education-Art El Dorado Springs
<b>Black, Mary Katherine</b> Elementary Education-Special Education Joplin	<b>Graham, Tatum Elizabeth</b> K-12 Education-Physical Education Claremore, OK	<b>Robertson, Matthew Ethan</b> K-12 Education-Instrumental Carthage	<b>Wosoba, Courtney Rae</b> Secondary Education-Math El Dorado Springs
<b>Brewster, Katelyn Renee</b> Middle School Education-Math Granby	<b>Hendrick, Taylor Anthony</b> Secondary Education-Biology Joplin	<b>Robertson, Victoria Marie</b> Secondary Education-English Neosho	<b>Yust, Chelsey Mae</b> K-12 Education-Physical Education Joplin
<b>Brust, Jaime Lynn</b> Elementary Education-Special Education Granby	<b>Huckaby, Haley Jo</b> Secondary Education-Math Phillipsburg	<b>Santillan, Arielle L.</b> Elementary Education-Social Studies Webb City	<b>Zapletal, Blake Anthony</b> Middle School Education-Math Carthage
<b>Compton-Hamiel, Brock Alexander</b> Elementary Education-Social Studies Joplin	<b>Hurrell, Kylie Noel</b> Elementary Education- Language Arts Joplin	<b>Seavy, Andrew I.</b> Secondary Education-Social Science/History Joplin	
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<b>Crawford, Jeffrey Thomas</b> Secondary Education-Social and Political Science Neosho	<b>Jimenez, John Paul</b> Middle School Education- Language Arts Webb City	<b>Shepard, Kelly Jean</b> Elementary Education-Special Education Joplin	
<b>Cristy, Ceirra Danielle †</b> Elementary Education-Math Joplin	<b>Johnson, Rachel Leighann</b> Elementary Education-Music, K-12 Education-Vocal Carthage	<b>Smith, Erika Shaun</b> K-12 Education-Vocal Joplin	
<b>Culp, Cody Zane</b> K-12 Education-Physical Education Neosho	<b>Knust, Sarah Marie</b> Elementary Education-Special Education Carl Junction	<b>Thompson, Joshua Todd</b> Secondary Education-English Centerton, AR	
	<b>Martin, Gabrielle Rian †</b> Elementary Education-Special Education Neosho	<b>Turner, Baylee Ashton</b> Secondary Education-English Sarcoxie	

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<b>Arwood, Arlisa Michelle</b> General Studies Joplin	<b>Crawford, Demecho R.</b> General Studies Berkeley	<b>Hudson, Samantha Jolene *</b> General Studies Carl Junction	<b>Moose, Troy M.</b> General Studies Marionville
<b>Bogue, Jason</b> General Studies Joplin	<b>Cuffee III, William J.</b> General Studies Lebanon	<b>Immekus, Jason Anthony *</b> General Studies Joplin	<b>Moreland, Mark E.</b> General Studies Webb City
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**Sheets, Lisa Diane**  
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**Tanksley, Miranda Lynn \***  
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**Vitale, Casey June**  
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**Warren, Kelsey Jo**  
General Studies  
Joplin

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## GRADUATES WHO HAVE STUDIED ABROAD

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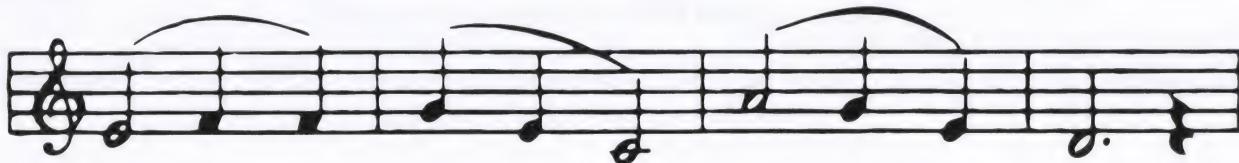
Students who received MSSU academic credit for studying abroad through an MSSU-sponsored or recognized program are wearing a sash today representing the country or countries where they studied. Since 1995, MSSU has sent more than 3,100 students abroad to reflect its statewide mission in global education.

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<b>Bang, Neha</b> Denmark, Czech Republic, Poland	<b>Etter, Loura</b> France	<b>Lemmons Monteleone, Kayla</b> Great Britain, Sweden	<b>Roy, Matthew</b> China
<b>Baugh, Kristy</b> France	<b>Fahle, Aliza</b> Ghana, Costa Rica	<b>Loncarich, Holly</b> Italy, Republic of Georgia	<b>Runnels, Doris</b> Italy
<b>Baughman, Zachary</b> Mexico	<b>Farney, Alyssa</b> Ireland	<b>Martin, Cody</b> France	<b>Scheffler, Heidi</b> Costa Rica
<b>Beerbower, Joshua</b> Spain	<b>Fox, Natalie</b> Great Britain, France	<b>Martin, Gabrielle</b> France	<b>Smith, Britta</b> Great Britain
<b>Bergen, Nathanael</b> Poland	<b>Fry, Jacob</b> Ireland	<b>Messer, Jacob</b> France, Spain	<b>Stephenson, Katie</b> France, Belize
<b>Bogue, Jason</b> Sweden	<b>Glowacki, JeSarah</b> Sweden	<b>Miles, Karissa</b> France	<b>Stokes, Andrew</b> Great Britain, France
<b>Campbell, Kelly</b> Czech Republic, Poland, Denmark	<b>Gonzalez, Rachel</b> Spain	<b>Moran, Lucas</b> Costa Rica	<b>Stout, Bradley</b> France
<b>Carroll, Chad</b> France	<b>Gray, Lindsey</b> France	<b>Morton, Ashley</b> Ecuador	<b>Taylor, Ian</b> France
<b>Carver, Jackie</b> France, Spain	<b>Harp, Jacob</b> Spain	<b>Murphy, Maxwell</b> Belize	<b>Tomlinson, Justin</b> Belize
<b>Comer, Jordan E.</b> France	<b>Howard, Amie</b> Italy	<b>O'Dell, Glenda</b> Great Britain	<b>Vickers, Kerry</b> China
<b>Conner, Lindsey</b> Germany, Italy, Switzerland	<b>Humphreys, Sara</b> Sweden	<b>O'Donnell, Jay</b> Great Britain	<b>Vo, Nga</b> Belize
<b>Corum, Rebecca</b> France	<b>Hylton, Jayce</b> Australia	<b>Pitts, Lindsey</b> Costa Rica	<b>Waack, Haley</b> Finland
<b>Cristy, Ceirra</b> Ireland	<b>Ishmael, Hannah</b> Ecuador	<b>Pope, Haley</b> Belize	<b>Walker, Dillon</b> Italy
<b>Cunningham, Lindsay</b> Germany	<b>Johnston, Alex</b> France, Spain	<b>Prisock, Kyle</b> France, Spain	<b>Weatherford, Aaron</b> France
<b>DeGuise, Amber</b> South Korea	<b>Jones, Kaylan</b> France, Sweden	<b>Quattlebaum, Lindsey</b> Great Britain	<b>Whitehead, Rachel</b> Great Britain
<b>Easterly, Stephanie</b> Sweden	<b>Journeycake, Jennifer</b> Spain	<b>Reed, Morgan</b> France	<b>Wilson-Brown, Kenya</b> Belize

# ALMA MATER

Words by Mary Laird,  
Class of '39

Music by Emerson Jackson,  
Class of '39



Our Al - ma Ma - ter, we ho - nor thee,



shap - ing and guid - ing our de - sti - ny.



Af - ter we have part - ed as the years roll by;



we'll keep each me - mo - ry hail, hail to thee.



Missouri Southern State University's "Alma Mater" was drafted during the Joplin Junior College second year by a group that included Mary Laird, Joan Epperson, Enos Currey, Ellen Beasley and Emerson Jackson. Laird was principally responsible for the lyrics while Jackson set it to music. It was first sung during a Class-Day program in 1939.

# POINTS OF PRIDE



## Missouri Southern partners with KCU for 'Yours to Lose'

A historic partnership between Missouri Southern State University and the Kansas City University of Medicine and Biosciences (KCU) was formalized during a recent signing ceremony.

The "Yours to Lose – Advanced Medical School Acceptance Program" will allow up to 25 Missouri Southern students to be admitted into KCU's new medical school at the same time as their acceptance to MSSU.

KCU will open a new medical school in August 2017, and will enroll 150 students in the inaugural class. It will be located in Mercy Hospital Joplin's former component hospital at 2817 St. John's Blvd.

Dr. Paula Carson, Missouri Southern's provost/vice president for academic affairs, said the exclusive partnership will allow the University to focus on helping students develop the work ethic and critical-thinking skills needed to be better medical students and, ultimately, better physicians.

"This partnership is allowing us to come up with innovative curricular ideas to ensure our students are in the best possible

position to succeed," said Carson. "We can start preparing them for what medical school will be like. We'll have a rigorous curriculum and non-traditional scheduling of courses that will better resemble the calendar and schedule of medical education. We can also focus some of our courses on specific skills students will need in this unique profession."

A number of high schools from Missouri - as well as several in Kansas, Arkansas and Oklahoma - have been tabbed as "Yours to Lose" partner schools.

## Students clinch second win during international business competition

For the second straight year, students from the Plaster School of Business at Missouri Southern have claimed the title in the NASBITE International Student Case Competition.

The five-member team completed a 20-page analysis that involves the Ohio-based Cleveland Whiskey. The small manufacturer is seeking to expand globally, focusing on the Asian market and Singapore in particular. Papers were submitted by teams from 30 universities and then blind reviewed. The top three schools were invited to make a presentation to company representatives during the 29th annual NASBITE International Conference, held April 4-8 in Newport, Rhode Island.

Competing against Missouri Southern in the finals were teams from the University of Northern Iowa and Youngstown State University in Ohio.

Team members are Holly Loncarich, of Fairview; Josh Foster, Carterville; Cynthia Salas, Purdy; Aliza Fahle, Joplin; and Viktoriya Johnson, an international student from Belarus.

"We spent last semester working on the paper," said Johnson, a senior human resource management major. "When we found out in January that we had qualified for finals, we began working weekly as a group to put together a PowerPoint presentation. We made our presentation in front of the business faculty and got advice from them."

What makes Missouri Southern's second competition victory in a row even more special is that it's only the second year it has been offered.

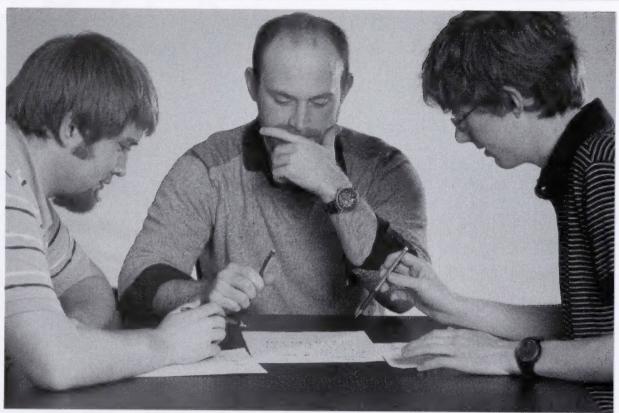


# POINTS OF PRIDE

## Math Team Beats Top Competitors at State Competition

Missouri Southern State University achieved a perfect score and tied for first place with Washington University in St. Louis - a traditional powerhouse in the competition, having won 13 of the last 21 contests - during the 21st annual Missouri Collegiate Mathematics Competition, held April 7-8 in St. Joseph.

The winning schools, led by Missouri Southern, included:



**1st Place (Tie):** Missouri Southern State University; **1st Place (Tie):** Washington University in St. Louis; **3rd Place:** Missouri Academy; **4th Place:** Washington University in St. Louis; **5th Place:** Truman State University; **6th Place:** Truman State University; **7th Place:** Saint Louis University; **8th Place:** William Jewell College

It's a big win, Math Department faculty members say, given the dominance shown by the private research institution over the years. MSSU has never before placed above the top one-third of competitors.

"There has never been a perfect score in the history of the competition," says Dr. Rich Laird, professor of mathematics at MSSU. "This tie is sort of like our football team beating the Chiefs. We are extremely proud of our students and they deserve all the credit for their wonderful performance."

The event is open to any college or university in Missouri. This year, approximately 100-150 students took part.

The 2016 first-place Missouri Southern State University team consisted of: Andrew Stokes, senior math major; Sam Heil, a dual credit home schooled student; Keith Geller, junior math major.



## Honoring our outstanding athletes

The Missouri Southern Athletics Department had 350 student-athletes on 14 team rosters at the start of the 2015-16 school year. Of those athletes, 137 of them had a 3.0 GPA or higher, 83 had a 3.5 GPA or higher and 19 had a perfect 4.0 GPA.

- 137 MIAA Academic Honor Roll Members
- 7 MIAA Academic All-MIAA Members
- 19 MIAA Presidential Scholar Winners
- 35 All-MIAA Athletes
- 19 All-Region Athletes
- 11 All-Americans
- Four Academic All-Americans
- Men's Cross Country Region Champions
- Men's Cross Country National Runner-up
- Men's Cross Country National Scholar-Athlete of the Year
- 10 Indoor Track and Field National Qualifiers
- 9 Glenn Dolence Award Winners

# ACADEMIC ATTIRE AND REGALIA CORDS

As early as the 12th century, the first modern universities – at Bologna and Paris – were centers of European learning. The usual garb of the time, for both churchmen and laymen, was a long gown which was necessary for warmth in the unheated buildings of the day. Scholars, generally members of church orders, wore such robes and also hoods to protect their shaven heads. Later, skull caps were worn on the head and the hood became a cape which could be pulled over the head in unpleasant weather. The hood was also sometimes used to collect alms from the more affluent members of the community. As additional universities were founded, distinctive forms of the gown and hood were adopted by their faculties. Variations indicated ranks within the institutions. Strict rules were published and in some cases punishment cited for tailors who departed from the authorized design.

The academic hat was a later development, adapted from the headdress of the ordinary people. Academically, it was originally worn as a symbol of the master's degree, and existed in various forms: some were round, some square and some had a tuft in the center. The flat, square "mortar board" of today originated at Oxford University in England.

Academic costume came to America in 1754 with the founding of King's College, now Columbia University. Styles became quite varied as they were in Europe, but in 1895 a group of American college and university representatives met to establish a uniform system of academic apparel for this country. This led to the establishment in 1902 of an "Intercollegiate Code of Academic Costume." The American Council of Education formed a committee in 1932 to review the 1895 code, which was again reviewed and revised in both 1960 and 1965.

There are today three basic types of gowns and hoods. The bachelor's gown has pointed sleeves and is designed to be worn closed. Recipients of the associate degrees wear gray gowns designed like the bachelor's gown. The master's gown is designed with an oblong sleeve, open at the wrist and with an arc cut away at the front of the sleeve. It may be worn either open or closed. The doctoral gown is of a full design with voluminous sleeves, and it also may be worn open or closed. Unlike the other two, the doctoral gown is faced down the front with velvet and with three velvet bars on the sleeves. These may be black or a color related to the subject of the degree. Thus, arts, letters and humanities may be white, business degrees may be drab or sapphire blue, education uses light blue, fine arts is brown, music is pink and science is golden yellow, to name a few.

The caps are always black, with a black tassel for baccalaureate degrees and a tassel of the color indicated above for master's degrees. Doctoral caps usually have a tassel of metallic gold color.

The hoods worn by master's degree recipients are lined with the official colors of the institution awarding the degree. The binding and edging of the hood is silk or velvet in the color pertaining to the subject area. Doctoral hoods are longer and designed somewhat fuller, but the colors again are those of the institution granting the degree for the lining, and of the subject for the wide edging. There exists a small bachelor's hood, but generally it is not used in this country.

The hoods represented in MSSU ceremonies are a combination of colors from each of the collaborating institutions. Traditional colors and corresponding fields of study are:

**Brown:** Fine Arts • **Crimson:** Journalism • **Dark Blue:** Philosophy • **Golden Yellow:** Science

**Lemon Yellow:** Library Science • **Light Blue:** Education • **Pink:** Music

**Purple:** Law • **Sage Green:** Physical Education • **Scarlet:** Theology • **White:** Arts, Letters, Humanities

**Yellow Brown:** Commerce, Business, Accountancy

## Regalia Cords

**Alpha Chi:** Gold • **Veteran's:** Red, White, and Blue • **Honors Program:** Green • **Athletics:** Green and Gold

**Dental Hygiene Honor Society, Sigma Phi Alpha:** Purple and Gold

**Criminal Justice Honor Society, Alpha Phi Sigma:** Blue and Gold

**Respiratory Therapy Honor Society, Lambda Beta:** Navy Blue and Green

**National Leadership Honor Society, Omicron Delta Kappa:** Braided blue, black and white

**International Honor Society in Business, Delta Mu Delta:** Braided gold and purple

**National Physics Honor Society, Sigma Pi Sigma:** Dark Green and White

**Education Honor Society, Kappa Delta Pi:** Purple and Green

**International Honor Society in Psychology, Psi Chi:** Braided Platinum and Dark Blue

**National History Honor Society, Phi Alpha Theta:** Blood Red and Sky Blue



A black and white photograph of a building with classical architectural details, including columns and a pedimented entrance. The image is framed by branches with pink blossoms in the foreground, creating a sense of depth and focus on the university's name.

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